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Treasury Department.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

September 7, 1880.

A. London Snowden, Esq.,

Supt. U. S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

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Director.

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